



GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0048; Docket No. 2021-0053; Sequence No. 12]

Information Collection; Certain Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 15 Requirements

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations, DoD, GSA, and NASA invite the public to comment on a revision concerning certain Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) part 15 requirements. DoD, GSA, and NASA invite comments on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of Federal Government acquisitions, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. OMB has approved this information collection for use through January 31,

2022. DoD, GSA, and NASA propose that OMB extend its approval for use for three additional years beyond the current expiration date.

DATES: DoD, GSA, and NASA will consider all comments received by **[Insert date 60 days after date of publication in the *Federal Register*.]**

ADDRESSES: DoD, GSA, and NASA invite interested persons to submit comments on this collection through <https://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions on the site. This website provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field or attach a file for lengthier comments. If there are difficulties submitting comments, contact the GSA Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202-501-4755 or GSAREgSec@gsa.gov.

Instructions: All items submitted must cite OMB Control No. 9000-0048, Certain Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 15 Requirements. Comments received generally will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check www.regulations.gov, approximately two-to-three days after submission to verify posting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Zenaida Delgado, Procurement Analyst, at telephone 202-969-7207, or zenaida.delgado@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. OMB control number, Title, and any Associated Form(s) :

9000-0048, Certain Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 15 Requirements.

B. Need and Uses

DoD, GSA, and NASA are combining OMB Control Nos. for the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) by FAR part. This consolidation is expected to improve industry's ability to easily and efficiently identify burdens associated with a given FAR part. The review of the information collections by FAR part allows improved oversight to ensure there is no redundant or unaccounted for burden placed on industry. Lastly, combining information collections in a given FAR part is also expected to reduce the administrative burden associated with processing multiple information collections.

This justification supports the revision of the expiration date of OMB Control No. 9000-0048 and combines it with the previously approved information collections under OMB Control No. 9000-0078, with the new title "Certain Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 15 Requirements." Upon approval of this consolidated information collection, OMB Control No. 9000-0078 will be discontinued. The burden requirements previously approved under the discontinued number will be covered under OMB Control No. 9000-0048.

This clearance covers the information that offerors and contractors must submit to comply with the following FAR requirements:

1. FAR 15.407-2(e), Make-or-buy programs. When prospective contractors are required to submit proposed make-or-buy program plans for negotiated acquisitions, paragraph (e) requires the following information in their proposal:

(a) A description of each major item or work effort;

(b) Categorization of each major item or work effort as "must make," "must buy," or "can either make or buy";

(c) For each item or work effort categorized as "can either make or buy," a proposal either to "make" or to "buy";

(d) Reasons for categorizing items and work efforts as "must make" or "must buy," and proposing to "make" or to "buy" those categorized as "can either make or buy";

(e) Designation of the plant or division proposed to make each item or perform each work effort, and a statement as to whether the existing or proposed new facility is in or near a labor surplus area;

(f) Identification of proposed subcontractors, if known, and their location and size status;

(g) Any recommendations to defer make-or-buy decisions when categorization of some items or work efforts is impracticable at the time of submission; and

(h) Any other information the contracting officer requires in order to evaluate the program.

2. FAR 52.215-1(c)(2)(iv) - Authorized Negotiators. This provision requires firms offering supplies or services to the Government under negotiated solicitations to provide the names, titles, and telephone and facsimile numbers (and electronic addresses if available) of authorized negotiators to assure that discussions are held with authorized individuals.

3. FAR 52.215-9, Changes or Additions to Make-or-Buy Program. This clause requires the contractor to submit, in writing, for the contracting officer's advance approval a notification and justification of any proposed change in the make-or-buy program incorporated in the contract.

4. FAR 52.215-14 - Integrity of Unit Prices. This clause requires offerors and contractors under negotiated solicitations and contracts to identify those supplies which they will not manufacture or to which they will not contribute significant value, if requested by the contracting officer or when contracting without adequate price competition.

5. FAR 52.215-19 - Notification of Ownership Changes. This clause requires contractors to notify the administrative contracting officer when the contractor becomes aware that a change in its ownership has occurred, or is certain to occur, that could result in changes in the

valuation of its capitalized assets in the accounting records.

6. FAR 52.215-22, Limitations on Pass-Through Charges—Identification of Subcontract Effort. This provision requires offerors submitting a proposal for a contract, task order, or delivery order to provide the following information with their proposal:

(a) The total cost of the work to be performed by the offeror, and the total cost of the work to be performed by each subcontractor;

(b) If the offeror intends to subcontract more than 70 percent of the total cost of work to be performed, the amount of the offeror's indirect costs and profit/fee applicable to the work to be performed by the subcontractor(s), and a description of the value added by the offeror as related to the work to be performed by the subcontractor(s); and

(c) If any subcontractor proposed intends to subcontract to a lower-tier subcontractor more than 70 percent of the total cost of work to be performed, the amount of the subcontractor's indirect costs and profit/fee applicable to the work to be performed by the lower-tier subcontractor(s) and a description of the added value provided by the subcontractor as related to the work to be performed by the lower-tier subcontractor(s).

7. FAR 52.215-23, Limitations on Pass-Through Charges.

This clause requires contractors to provide a description of the value added by the contractor or subcontractor, as applicable, as related to the subcontract effort if the effort changes from the amount identified in the proposal such that it exceeds 70 percent of the total cost of work to be performed.

C. Annual Burden

Respondents: 715,477.

Total Annual Responses: 744,638.

Total Burden Hours: 80,946 (80,941 reporting hours + 5
recordkeeping hours)

OBTAINING COPIES: Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the GSA Regulatory Secretariat Division, by calling 202-501-4755 or emailing GSARegSec@gsa.gov. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0048, Certain Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 15 Requirements.

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